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Marriage License Application Information

Office hours at the Courthouse are 8 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday.

Marriage license applications cannot be made through the mail.

Both the bride and groom must personally complete the application.

The fee for the license is \$60.00 with a five-day waiting period.

You may pay an extra \$10.00 fee to waive the five-day waiting period.

Blood tests are not required.

- If you are a resident in Oneida County, you must apply for your license at the County Clerk's office in Rhinelander.
- If you are <u>not</u> a resident in Oneida County, you must apply in the Wisconsin county where you live. You may then be married in any county in Wisconsin.
- If you are <u>not</u> a Wisconsin resident, you must apply in the Wisconsin county where the marriage will take place.

You will need to bring the following documentation:

A driver's license or State identification card and Social Security numbers.

If you are under the age of 30, a certified copy of your legal birth certificate. We do not accept a hospital document or a baptismal record. If you do not have this document, you must obtain the "certified legal birth certificate" at the register of deeds office in the county where you were born. Note: Certified legal birth certificates will have a "raised seal." Fax copies of birth certificates will not be accepted.

If you are 30 years of age or older, you do not need a birth certificate. However, you still need to know your parents' complete first, middle and last name and your Mother's maiden name as well as the proper spelling of those names.

If either of you has been married before: Wisconsin law requires a person to be divorced six (6) months before remarrying. You must bring a copy of the <u>final divorce judgment</u>. It must show the date of the divorce and also the Judge's signature. <u>Please check all papers very carefully; we cannot issue a license if the papers are not signed or do not show the date of the divorce.</u>

If either of you is widowed you must bring a <u>certified</u> copy of the death certificate of your former spouse.

You need to know the exact date of the wedding. Licenses expire after thirty days, so you do not want to apply too early.

You need to know the name of the officiant who will perform the ceremony. If you need the names of Judges or court commissioners who are able to perform marriage ceremonies, contact this office.

If you are between the ages of 16 or 17 years of age, your custodial parent(s) must

complete a consent form, provided by the County Clerk's office, before the license can be ssued.	